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The Honorable Wayne Morse
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Morse:

Thank you for your letter of 5 October 1955 concerning the problems of sewage facilities and access roads in connection with the possible location of our proposed new headquarters building at Langley, Virginia.

The very best information I have which is responsive to your questions is contained in a report which I have just received from Clarke & Rapuano, consulting engineers and landscape architects, who were engaged to study and make recommendations concerning the location of our proposed new building. They have recommended the Langley site and I am enclosing herewith a copy of an attachment to their report which deals with the problems of traffic, roadways, sewage, etc. While they have recommended a number of improvements to the arterial system in the general area, they have concluded that "the various Potomac River bridges for the anticipated periods of CIA car movement with their rated capacities, including the improved Key Bridge, indicate sufficient capacity to accommodate the increased load. The completion of the proposed bridge at Constitution Avenue and the completion of the George Washington Memorial Parkway should insure adequate capacity for some time." It, therefore, does not appear that the location of our building at Langley, in and of itself, would have an immediate impact on the budget of the District of Columbia.

The Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County have assured us that a sewage system to accommodate our headquarters will be available prior to the completion of our building. They have two plans

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under consideration, one of which would entail the construction of a sewage line to the presently proposed plant on Pimmit Run. The alternative would be the construction of a new plant involving the installation of about 4,000 feet of 15" outfall to a point downstream from the Little Falls Dam. Either solution would provide primary and secondary treatment of the effluent. The U. S. Army District Engineer has advised us that the Corps of Engineers would interpose no objection to either of these arrangements.

I am deeply grateful for your interest in providing an adequate headquarters building for the Central Intelligence Agency.

Sincerely yours,



Allen W. Dulles
Director

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

October 5, 1955

Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

As a member of the Senate Committee on the District of Columbia which has, as you know, to concern itself with general legislative oversight of the affairs of the District, I would be grateful for some further enlightenment on two matters concerning the proposal, which has been publicized in the newspapers, to locate the new headquarters of the CIA on a site at Langley, Virginia.

The first concerns the Potomac River. You may have observed in the press my concern about the present state of the River; this fine stream has degenerated into an open and dangerous sewer. It is my understanding that adequate sewage facilities are not presently available in and around Langley, and I would appreciate any information you can properly give me concerning sewage arrangements that might be made - their approximate cost, the kind of treatment to be given, and the like. It appears to me imperative that the Government be the first to do what it can to avoid further pollution of this once-handsome watercourse.

The second concerns access roads. The press has reported that increased traffic caused by locating these headquarters at Langley would, in the judgment of District officials, require the double-decking of Chain Bridge; I assume that the access roads to Chain Bridge would require widening to carry the increased load. Can you give me any figures concerning the cost of these improvements as they relate to the District of Columbia budget? While I recognize your imperative need for an adequate building, it is also true that the District is woefully behind in much-needed capital construction and I would be grateful for any information disclosing what the impact of these additional costs would be on the budget of the District of Columbia.

I shall appreciate any information you may be able to supply with respect to these inquiries. I assure you that my questions are prompted by my deep interest in the affairs of the District of Columbia.

Sincerely,

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